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IMPRESSIONS OF THE CONVENTION ON WHEELS

—By Newell Morgan

It seems very proper to term the CONVENTION ON WHEELS a great success. Every place the Convention stopped it was well received. In every corner and section of the state the response on the part of all who attended and shared in it was gratifying and heart warming. The people of the State seem eager to be about this great work for Christ in Oregon. I gathered the impression that this is something that the people have been waiting for. Now that it is clear in their minds what they can do, the response will be even greater than we had first expected. I was thrilled to realize that we are all a part of something so great and demanding that the small differences among us can be forgotten and we can become united upon this major task that is set before us—a greater work for Christ in Oregon.

I sensed that for many of those who attended the CONVENTION ON WHEELS that this was the first time they had gotten a picture of what could be done when the people in Oregon become united under the leadership of Christ and they now seemed ready to be considered a part of this leading of the Holy Spirit. It seems that we are on the threshold of a great and new adventure with Christ in Kingdom building. Bright days are in store for all of us as we move out in unity for this great victory in Christ for the Church in Oregon.

The success of these conventions has been great enough that plans are under way for the CONVENTION ON WHEELS for next fall. Any suggestions that you might have as to how the conventions might be improved, feel free to send them to either the state office or to myself, as general Chairman of the Convention on Wheels.

As general chairman of the conventions, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to all who assisted in any way to help these conventions become the success they were. My thanks to those who gave of their time so willingly to assist on the team; to the congregations and ministers who acted as host churches; to the congregations who released their ministers that they might serve on the teams; to every person who attended the conventions; to all who shared of their material means that the work of

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Newell Morgan and Charles Addleman stand beside the new state budget at one of the Convention on Wheels meetings.

The **CONVENTION ON WHEELS** was attended by more than 2000 persons all over the state. Total offerings taken at the meetings amounted to $2,280.37 ($130.00 for subscriptions to The Oregon Christian—215 new subscriptions and 45 extensions), with an additional $3,550.00 pledged. Some of this latter amount has been paid and included in the offering above.

Members of a team which participated in the Convention on Wheels at the Liberty Church are shown below, left to right: John Myers, host minister; Mrs. Elton Benedict, Ivan Correll, Mrs. Edna L. Burke, Ed Eldridge and Elmer Newton.

IT'S BEAUTIFUL! — IT'S YOURS!

Guest Editorial

—By A. W. Mortensen, active layman of the
Portland First Christian Church and
General Chairman of the Portland
International Convention Committees.

Over 5,000 Christian Churches in the United States and Canada voluntarily working together and pooling their strength to most powerfully and economically carry out Christ's great commission to GO, is what we call THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF THE DISCIPLES OF CHRIST.

Each year, the projects and agencies created and put to work by these assemblies report to the churches in Convention Assembly and programs are considered and acted on and put into motion for the following year.

Each individual church member who is sufficiently interested in his or her church to register and pay a $3.00 fee for paying the expenses of the Convention, can attend one or all the Convention sessions, have an **Equal Voice** in, have an **Equal Vote** on, all matters coming before the assembly, and have an **Equal Right** to present any matter for the good of the united program.

For the first time in 40 years the International Assembly is being held in Oregon—in Portland, July 4-9, 1953. This year the voice of the churches in Oregon can be the most influential voice in the Convention. Over 2,000 members of Oregon churches **should** attend.

The International Convention is beautiful as an example of churches voluntarily and democratically working together in the service of Jesus Christ.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR 1953 IS YOURS!

Have you arranged yet to be host to those who will attend from the other 47 states and Canada? The way to be a proper host, is to be present when guests arrive. This year Oregon is **Host!** That we may be proper Christian hosts, do **Your Part Now.** Register to attend this Convention Assembly.

Rush right out, locate the registrar in your church, register, pay your $3.00 registration fee. Then, arrange to attend part or all the Convention sessions.

Over 200 Oregon members of Christian Churches are working daily in the huge task of preparing this Convention. We **Expect** and **Invite** your support. We invite you to register at once, so that we will know how many to prepare for, so that we will have **funds to meet the daily expenses of preparing for Your Convention.**

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ADDING UP ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

Since our last report which ended on January 17 we have been busy as follows:

January 18—
Awarded the perfect attendance pins at the Bible School of the Kern Park Christian Church. Preached at the Southeast Church in Portland at the morning service and installed newly elected church officers. Met with the elders and worship committee of the Kern Park Church in Portland concerning future pastor.

19-30
Spent traveling as a member of one of the teams on the Convention on Wheels. Visited Milwaukie, Mill City, Prineville, Burns, Ontario, Baker, Wallowa, Athena, Mosier, Liberty, Harrisburg and Westside, Eugene.

February 1—
Preached at Elkton and sat in on congregational business meeting and conferences in the afternoon. Preached at Drain on Sunday evening.

2—
Stopped in Salem for conferences with Harold Lyman and Dudley Strain.

3—
Breakfast meeting on Pentecost Plus in Portland. Attended annual meeting of the Oregon Council of Churches.

4 —
Breakfast meeting of the Planning and Strategy of the Oregon Council of Churches and spent the day in the office.

5-6—
Spent at La Grande in the East Oregon Convention set-up meetings; also the set-up meeting for East Oregon Chi Rho Camp and Youth Conference.

7 —
State Youth Committee meeting in Salem

8—
Preached at Falls City for the morning service and at Vernonia for the evening service and also met with the pulpit committee.

9—
Executive Committee of the State Board meeting.

10-11—
Spent in the office with 2 office conferences.

12—
Conference in Eugene about establishing new churches. Attended the State Education Commission meeting in Salem.

13—
Spent in office with 2 office conferences.

15—
Preached at morning service at First Church, Medford, and preached at Ashland at the evening service.

16—
Looked over area around Jacksonville and Eagle Point as possibilities for new work to be established. Visited the new church at Gold Hill. Held 2 conferences

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It was a happy day at our Bethel Church in Eugene, February 1, when the first 1953 $1,000. check was presented to that congregation by the State Ninety & Nine Men's Brotherhood. Above, left to right: Elmer Newton, state 90 & 9 president; Leo Quakenbush, state vice-president and president of Willamette area; Dan Thuma, minister of Bethel Church; Cecil Warner, chairman of the Expansion Committee, Eugene First Church; and Harold Johnson, chairman of the board at Eugene First Church.

NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

—By Ed Dewees

If the first six weeks of 1953 are a fair sample, the year will certainly be a full one for members of the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood. The convention-on-wheels challenged the interest of every man with its emphasis on personal evangelism thru Pentecost plus and on the building of new churches in the expanded program of missions in Oregon. On January 19, the opening day of the convention, the Yamhill District men held their regular bi-monthly business meeting in conjunction with the convention program. The South Willamette District held its regular rally at Corvallis on January 26 and the Northwest District Ninety and Niners met at Hillsboro that same night.

Elmer Newton, state president, is beginning to wonder why he "retired" from his business. Certainly he has been "busy" for the Lord since taking office. He served as one of the chauffeurs for the eastern team of the convention-on-wheels and from all reports very ably presented the case for the Ninety and Nine as well as defending himself from the "darts" tossed in his directions by the preachers on the team. He has also accepted the leadership of Pentecost Plus campaigns at Powell Butte, Turner, and Junction City. E. W. Blehm, state director, will lead campaigns at Coburg and Amity, and your reporter is scheduled to work in campaigns at Ontario, Kern Park (Portland), Harrisburg, Newport, Sutherlin, and Liberty. In addition, scores of men will be working in their own churches that we may see more than 3000 souls added to the churches in the total evangelistic effort.

Plans for the 1953 camps are under way and dates have been set for the following camps: Greenpoint (simultaneous boys' camp and girls' camp), June 28—July 4; Cove Girls' Camp and Turner Girls' Camp (running concurrently), July 12—18; Turner Boys' Camp, July 19—25; Crescent Lake Boys' Camp, July 26—August 1; Cove Boys' Camp and Wi-Ne-Ma Boys' Camp (running concurrently), August 2—8. Final plans have not been made for the Southern Area boys' camp and girls' camp, but it is hoped that a definite announcement can be made next month. Registration and insurance will again be $10.50.

In keeping with the goals of the expanded program of church building, the first $1,000 check of 1953 was presented to the Bethel congregation in Eugene on February 1. State officers of the Ninety and Nine Men who attended the presentation service were Elmer Newton, president; Leo Quackenbush, vice-president and president of Willamette Area; and Elmer M. Patterson, state treasurer. The check was presented by Leo Quakenbush to Dan Thuma, minister of the Bethel church, who in turn gave it to Cecil Warner, chairman of the Expansion Committee of Eugene First Christian Church, sponsor of the Bethel Church. Funds had been advanced by the First Christian Church to meet building obligations to be covered by the Ninety and Nine check. Greetings from the men were given by Elmer Newton. The fact that the church was celebrating its first anniversary made the occasion a memorable one.

Lest we forget that the foundation of the state program of the Ninety and Nine rests in the strength of the local groups, it is well to report on one of the many local meetings held each month. On February 18, the Lebanon men held their regular dinner and program. The kitchen crew (men) turned out a tasty spaghetti and meat ball dinner with plenty of fixings. Joe Vaughn brought a devotional message to precede the business session and the male quartet sang two fine numbers before Dr. T. M. White of Amity brought the inspirational message. Your reporter gave a summary of the state-wide activities and showed the camp movie at the conclusion of the evening. Ray Gilbert is the Lebanon president.

STATE MISSIONS GIVING

January 16 to February 15, 1953

Multnomah	$ 17.00
Hood River Valley	50.00
Fairmount (Eugene)	45.00
Milwaukie	50.00
Brownsville	5.00
Jasper	2.50
Parkrose (Portland)	98.50
J. C. Baxter	2.70
Kern Park (Portland)	225.08
Walton	5.00
Powell Butte	60.00
Forest Grove	5.00
Springfield	200.00
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Wright	4.50
Yamhill	5.00
AliceLieuallen	500.00
Hermiston	48.15
Valda J. Benedict	4.50
Liberty	10.00
C. F. Swander	4.00
Roseburg	75.00
Mrs. Bertha Huson	2.00
Silverton	10.00
James Norman Johnston	1.50
Eugene First	349.50
Dayton	117.76
Toledo	5.00
Mt. Vernon	47.70
Monmouth	2.73
Albany	433.37
Portland First	100.00
LaGrande	96.19
Tillamook	20.87
Salem First	50.00
Coquille Miss. Soc.	21.76
Mr. & Mrs. Wm. R. Coppock	100.00
Mrs. H. C. Stuwe	50.00
Athena	34.00
Westside (Eugene)	32.00
Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Wilson	4.50
Mrs. E. A. Bussett	2.00
McMinnville	25.00
Milton-Freewater	29.36
	$2,952.17

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PORTLAND YOUTH IMPRESSED WITH EUROPEAN TOUR

—By Cliff Cole

Editor's note: Cliff Cole is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Myron C. Cole, minister of Portland First Church. He is a senior at Cleveland High School and is city president of International Relations League. He will enroll next fall at Chapman College, Los Angeles, with future plans aimed at radio and television.

Cliff Cole

A lot of people say, "I'd certainly like to go to Europe some day." Like a lot of people, I also said those words. And then suddenly, a chance was given to me by American Field Service. The American Field Service is an organization of ex-servicemen who, during World War I and II, served as medical men on the battlefield. They drove ambulances and carried wounded to aid stations and rear hospitals. After the war, thinking that they should do something to prevent further world conflicts, they instituted the AFSIS, American Field Service International Scholarships. European high school students were brought to America to study a year in American high schools. In 1951 AFS decided to send American students to Europe for the summer and to live in a home in one of seven countries.

I was chosen from Cleveland High School in Portland, during the spring of 1952 and with 90 others sailed from Montreal, Canada, on June 19 bound for eight weeks in Norway. My first impressions and surprises upon landing in France was the greenness and fertility of the countryside through which we passed on our way north by bus. I had not imagined that so much of the land would be used for crops. And still, the French do not have enough food. Holland was a very clean and unique country with all its tulips and wind mills. Denmark was likewise spotless and very modern. On my farm, about 200 miles north of Oslo, I was able to observe first hand the Norwegian people. They are a very friendly people! All the Europeans seemed extremely hospitable and willing to do anything to make your stay a pleasant one. The Norwegians are also very conscientious and hard working, letting nothing stand in their way in completing a day's task. The Lutheran Church is the state church of Norway with others such as the Presbyterians, Methodists and Catholics being evidenced also. Europe is known for its beautiful cathedrals and churches. I attended mass at Notre Dame Cathedral, said by some to be the most beautiful in Europe. However, it was in the central valley of Norway I found the most beautiful church I had ever seen. Nidaros Cathedral in Trondheim not only was beautiful in architecture, but the service was just as impressive.

At the end of the summer, we were entertained for three days in Paris, a very beautiful city and a city where there were endless things to see from the famous Louvre to the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomph.

We returned home the first of September with all of us thinking back on the wonderful summer just completed; of all the friends we had made; of all the things we had seen; and of the rich experience we had just finished. It was truly an unforgettable summer and one which will guide us as we grow older. For we, the youth of Europe and America know that **only** through programs such as AFS and similar movements can the people of the world gain the knowledge needed for a peaceful world.

American Field Service plans for 1953 include approximately twice as many scholarships for American high school students. Students will again spent six weeks in European homes furthering the cause of democracy in those far-off countries that we so frequently deny due recognition.

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Edna L. Burke

Echoes from the Convention on Wheels conducted under the sponsorship of the State Convention board, January 19—30, continue to come to us. Expressions of appreciation for the interest, encouragement and practical help given to the more than 600 women who attended, are most gratifying. Many new friends were made, a richer fellowship begun. It is hoped that more contacts of a like nature will be possible in the days ahead.

The response to the announcements sent to the churches last November about the drouth situation at Southern Christian Institute, one of the recognized negro colleges of our brotherhood at Edwards Mississippi, has been heart-warming. In cooperation with the departments of Christian Women's Fellowship and Financial Resources of The United Society, a flier stating the need for food was sent to the societies. Almost immediately relief began to arrive at S.C.I. To date about $3,000.00 has been contributed, gifts ranging from $1.00 to $145.00. Thus Christians have once more demonstrated their readiness to share in an emergency.

Persons sending mail or packages to the Yakima Indian Christian Mission should note that the correct address is White Swan, Washington. Many shipments and letters intended for the Mission have been delayed because they were incorrectly addressed to the First Christian Church in Yakima. The church even received a piano and a cow, both intended for the Indian Mission. All mail and packages should be addressed: Yakima Indian Christian Mission, White Swan, Washington.

A Christmas letter from the Del Troxels (son-in-law and daughter of the Kenneth Hendricks) announced that they are now located at King Ferry, New York. Del is shepherding three Rural Methodist churches and attending Cornell University where he is taking special training in rural missionary work. Martha runs the house, the typewriter and is taking some college work. They hope to go to Japan as missionaries in the near future. They are both graduates of Northwest Christian College in Eugene. Del preached in Elkton while in N.C.C.

While visiting a leper colony in the Belgium Congo early in December, 1952, Dr. Dale Fiers, president of the United Society, and Virgil Sly, chairman of the Society's Foreign Division, had an unexpected and moving experience. In this colony at Nkoni, about two miles from the Christian church missions at Lotumbe, is an organization of Christians who call themselves the "Friends of Protestantism." A spokesman for the group presented Dr. Fiers with 200 francs, saying, "We have received great blessings of mercy, so we are learning to show mercy to others. When the missionaries first came from America, we thought all Americans were rich. Now we know that is not true. So we have gathered 200 francs which we present to you with the request that it be used to aid the poor people of America." The money having an economic value of $200.00 for the Congolese, was earned by them at their various trades and represents sacrifice. The sacrificing spirit of the lepers at Nkoni demonstrates their growing consciousness of the needs of others and a developing sense of world fellowship on their part. Would that all Christian people of America had the same spirit of sacrifice!.

The Portland International Convention committee heads met at a dinner meeting at Englewood Christian Church in Portland, February 24 and heard progress reports from local chairman as well as from two of our national Convention leaders. Pictured above, left to right: Hubert Sias, in charge of registrations for the Northwest; Gaines M. Cook, International Convention Executive Secretary; Robert L. Lewis, Business Manager of the International Convention; and Ross J. Griffeth, in charge of publicity for the Convention.

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION PLANS PROGRESSING

With more than 500 advance registrations from Oregon in the hands of Chief Area Registrar, Hubert Sias by February 24, there is every reason to believe that the minimum goal of 2200 pre-registrations from Oregon for the International Convention of Disciples of Christ, July 4—9 will be reached. In order to secure one of the best hotel or motel reservations, registration must be made early.

This Convention in Portland is to be a family convention with provision made for persons of every age. A children's committee is providing school sessions of the Daily Vacation Church School type for Beginners, Primary and Junior children. Parents who wish to have their children in classes during the Convention must preregister them. The student registration fee of $1.50 will be applied toward the total cost of having the child in the school.

Dr. Gaines M. Cook, Executive Secretary of the International Convention and Robert Lewis, Business Manager, spent several days in Portland near the end of February working out details for the Convention. Under the guidance of A. W. Mortensen, Chairman of the Portland committee making advance arrangements, every detail is being given careful attention. Several hundred persons will share in the preparations.

R. Melvin Thompson, who has charge of the communion service of the Convention has arranged for two great services in the Portland Convention Hall, July 5, 1953. The first service will be at 6 P.M. and the second at a later hour to be announced.

Theme of the Convention is "The Uplifted Christ Lifts Men." All decorations and badges will feature this theme through the use of a striking design developed by the Porterfields of Portland.

Howard Thomas Wood, President of the International Convention of Disciples of Christ, after his recent visit to the Northwest, returned to his pastorate in Memphis, Tennessee, with such enthusiasm that he expects to register more than ten per cent of his congregation for the Convention despite the distance.

C.Y.F. Planning Conference

The state-wide C.Y.F. Planning Commission will meet May 8-9 at Menucha to plan work for the future. A program led by outstanding youth leaders in Oregon is being planned to help youth leaders in the local churches. The cost of the planning conference will be $4.50. Youth leaders and youth are reminded to keep the dates May 8-9 open.

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A money-making idea book for people who want to earn spare-time or full-time cash. Thousands of successful women are using these ideas. "SEW & SELL" gives you practical, simple rules to follow, which are time-tested. If this book isn't the most useful, handiest, fact-packed book you ever bought on ways to turn your sewing into dollars, simply write and tell us, and your money will be cheerfully refunded. RUSH $1.00 TODAY to WITTEVEEN PRESS, 3635 Hilyard, Dept. OC, Eugene, Oregon.

"BE KIND" WEEK

The following words of wisdom were written by Miss Pauline Starn, executive secretary for the Northern California C.W.F. and appeared in "The Christian Messenger."

"Perhaps those of you with new ministers (and may even those with used ones) should have along with all the other weeks we celebrate, a 'Be Kind to the Minister and His Wife and Family Week.' But seriously, aren't we often inclined to be critical and to expect perfection from them while we are forgiving and understanding about faults of others and of ourselves? Let's remember that most ministers have one or two fields of work in which they're strong, and in other things we church members should provide the leadership. And the minister's wife, bless her heart! Did it ever occur to you that she may have married that man because she loved him, and not because she is applying for a full-time job of pinch-hitting in every job in the church whenever a pinch-hitter was needed? She may not even have been particularly blessed with leadership ability, but she probably has some church interests (heaven help her if she hasn't) and maybe she'd like to put her efforts into a special part of the church life where she feels her talents can be most useful. Let's give her a chance to choose her part, take her natural place, and be a 'normal' Christian woman instead of expecting her to be an extra special. (She probably is extra special but let's act as if we thought she was normal anyway.) And don't forget, your minister is the only man in the church who doesn't have a minister to pray for him! So you do it."

ADDING UP ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

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with church leaders in Grants Pass and looked through the new church building at Grants Pass.

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Spent day in the office with 1 office conference. Attended the workers conference at Gladstone and assisted them in their educational program by using one of the audio-visual leadership training films.

18—

Spent in Eugene in set-up meetings for Southern and Western Oregon Chi Rho Camps and Youth Conferences.

19—

Education Commission meeting in Eugene considering new leadership in our expanded program. Returned to Portland in time to conduct a funeral service for one of my long time friends.

20—

Spent in the office with one conference.

NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

—By Ross J. Griffeth

According to figures appearing in the recently issued **Yearbook 1952,** Disciples of Christ, last year Northwest Christian College enrolled more ministerial students at the college level than any other of our colleges reporting to the International Convention. From news items we have read elsewhere, it appears that N.C.C. also stands well in the lead in numbers of students enrolled in any of our brotherhood colleges. For a full tabulation see page 22 of the **Yearbook** or refer to the March **N.C.C. BULLETIN.**

Women's Fellowship

On February 10-12, Mrs. W. G. Moseley of Spokane, Wn., brought the Louisa F. Kellems Fellowship Lectures to those of Northwest Christian College. In addition to speaking in chapel, bringing a major address to a banquet session and speaking to several interest groups, Mrs. Moseley had many personal conferences with students. The annual lectureship for women is exceptionally valuable and inspiring and Mrs. Moseley lived up in a splendid manner to a high tradition of excellence in the lectures.

N. C. C. Day

Of highest importance in the life of Northwest Christian College is Northwest Christian College Day in the churches. On this day the students and faculty of our college go to the churches of the Northwest with their story of accomplishments and needs. Every effort is being made to share fully the work of the college. The appearance of the students in the churches tell in a most interesting way of the development of youth who have been recruited for the service of the churches and are now in training.

Northwest Christian College Day is set for May 3 this year. It will be most helpful if congregations will set aside one service on this day for the presentation of N.C.C. The type of leadership the congregations will have in five, ten, twenty and thirty years from now is being determined now by the resources which Christians of the Northwest are making available to their college.

Recruiting

It is highly important that the names of high school Seniors who plan to prepare for some type of employed church work be sent to N.C.C. now, if this has not previously been done so that these prospective students can be informed about their college and the program and plan ahead for them.

If your congregation would like to have more well trained ministers available, recruit for the ministry the most able young men in your congregation. God wants the first and the best. Judging from the requests we have for ministers, so do you. The only way to have the best in the future is to enlist for training the very best now.

Board of Trustees

At the January meeting of the Northwest Christian College Board of Trustees, authorization was given for the purchase of an electric organ "when funds are available." Some contributions have been received toward the purchase of an electric organ, which is very much needed now so that students can have full opportunity to practice as they ought. The splendid pipe organ in the chapel is busy every available hour and there is a waiting list of students to use it.

If your church has an electric organ or plans to install one, you will be interested in helping us purchase one so that trained organists will be available to use the organ you are getting. A little help from many will give us the necessary funds. So make your gift for this purpose to Northwest Christian College over and above the giving which you do to maintain the regular program.

Evangelism

In addition to devoting much time to the Pentecost Plus program, the faculty and students at N.C.C. also are sharing in the program of establishing ten new churches in Oregon. The Macedonian Call Committee of students has made several surveys in preparation for the establishing of new churches. Now it is up to the more mature Christians of the state to follow through, making use of the information available, to get these churches going.

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THE VALUE OF A SMILE

It enriches those who receive it, without impoverishing those who give.
It costs nothing but creates much.
It creates happiness in the home, fosters good will and business, and is the countersign of friends.
It happens in a flash and the memory sometimes lasts forever.
It cannot be bought, begged, borrowed, or stolen, for it is something that is no earthly good to any one till it is given away.
It is rest to the weary, daylight to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and nature's best antidote for trouble.
And if, in the hurry and rush, you meet some one who is too weary to give you a smile—leave one of yours.
For no one needs a smile quite so much as he who has none left to give.

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A great victory rally is being planned for May 11 at the Milwaukie Church of Christ. At that time a report of Pentecost Plus, N. C.C. Day, the new churches and other things of importance pertaining to the work of Christ in Oregon will be made. Watch for later announcements to follow. Keep this date open. Christ has a great VICTORY in store for us.

Mrs. Chloe Miller Butz, seated and "Aunt" Jane Baxter.

TWO DALLAS "FAITHFULS"

Pictured are two "young ladies" of the Loyal Women's Class of the First Christian Church, Dallas, Oregon. Mrs. Chloe Miller Butz, seated, and "Aunt" Jane Baxter, standing, represent a total of 142 years of Christian service. According to Church records, "Aunt" Jane Baxter was born January 2, 1861, and was baptized into Christ in 1886, making her 92 years "young" and 67 years a faithful follower and worker for Christ. Sister Butz's Church record shows that she was born May 14, 1863, and was baptized Nov. 13, 1877. She is 90 years old and has been a member of the Dallas Church all 75 of her years of her Christian life. That is a good many years to be a member of the same congregation. On the 75th anniversary of her baptism, Mrs. Butz was given special recognition at the Morning Service. The ladies of her class gave her a potted plant; she received a corsage from the church; and the Elders presented her with a copy of the New Testament in large print.

The Dallas Church is mighty proud of these two "young ladies." Their lives are a constant testimony, and an encouragement to each Christian to claim the promise of Christ, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." (Rev. 2:10)

Pentecost Plus

The State Evangelism Committee has chosen one of its members, Ross Griffeth, to serve as local leader for the coming state-wide Bayne Driskill campaign. The following information has been prepared by him. This and future articles will appear in The Oregon Christian until the close of the campaign in April.

Evangelistic goals set by the first 44 congregations to report total 2191. At least 40 more congregations will be working toward fixed goals. And it is understood that all goals are minimum goals.

Pentecost Plus!

Yes, 3000 plus with emphasis on the PLUS.

We thank God for the willingness to venture out upon a great task in a glorious way.

We thank God for the wonderful victories which come when we work and pray in faith.

It will take some time to gather all the statistics which will pile up in this Pentecost Plus campaign. But more important than statistics are the souls redeemed through committment to Christ.

First Campaigns

The first campaign for decisions in this spring period is scheduled for Ontario where Emil Helseth is pastor. Ed Dewees, of the 99 Men is guest director. The goal was fixed at 32. The kick-off date—March 1; Decision day—March 8.

The week during which there will be the largest number of congregations in action on the visitation for decision effort will be with kick-off day March 22 and decision day March 29. More than 20 congregations will be engaged in intensive visitation during this week. As schedules are not fully complete as this is written, no attempt is made to list the various congregations, pastors and guest leaders involved.

Prospects

There must be no let-up on securing prospects for decisions. At no time should there be a slackening of effort to secure new prospects. The first rule for success is **pray always,** nothing doubting. The second is, **find prospects.** The third rule is, **cultivate** the prospects. If these three things are done the period of decision will be a time of joyful work in the harvest.

Letters

Every Christian in Oregon who can use a typewriter can be used in preparation for the great day of decision. In Bayne Driskill's manual on **Comprehensive Evangelism** are directions about writing letters. The form given in the manual is, in each case, a suggestion. Modify it to fit your own needs. Then see to it that the necessary letters are personally typed. With enough typists, all the letters needed in any congregation can be fully written, including the addresses. They are to be mailed according to the schedule indicated by Driskill. But be sure to get busy on those letters.

Fellowship

One pastor has said, "We do not intend to call upon anyone for a decision who has not been cultivated. We want people to know what they are doing when they make their decisions." This is a good rule. But it is highly important that the cultivation visits be made. Just as it is unwise to pick fruit too early, so it is unwise to press for decisions until the prospects have been prepared.

Five Steps

The five steps in Comprehensive Evangelism are: (1) Find them; (2) Love them; (3) Win them; (4) Teach them; (5) Use them. And because it is a spirit permeating the whole, not a step in a process, we must always pray for them and thank God for them. Of course "them" refers to the prospects who will become wonderful Christians if we proclaim the Gospel to them.

Statistics

In 1941-42, just ten years ago when World War II was a tragic reality, our congregations in Oregon reported 24,168 resident members which was a drop of 746 members from the previous year.

In 1951-52, according to the Year Book recently off the press, the Oregon congregations reported 33,525 members which was a gain of 2,577 over the previous year.

Our over-all state goal this year is a ten per cent net increase in resident membership. This calls for 3,353 more members June 30, 1953 than in 1952. This is only 776 more of a gain than during the previous year. Certainly we can thank God in advance for the victory which is certain to come. To reach the minimum goal for resident members next June 30, we should have at least 36,878. But with the certain victories of Pentecost Plus, we shall go much beyond this figure.

Supplies

For the convenience of everyone the various supplies needed in the Comprehensive Evangelism program—Pentecost Plus—can be had at minimum cost by ordering from Pentecost Plus, Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon.

THE FLYING PREACHER

Ivan Correll, for the past several years minister of the First Christian Church, Lebanon, is shown above in an Ercoupe plane owned by Harvey Duerksen, one of the members of the Lebanon church. Ivan received his pilot's license in September, 1952. Ivan will complete his ministry at Lebanon on March 15 and will be engaged in evangelistic work temporarily.

The Jungle Shack

The building is not much, 'tis true,
But 'tis a shelter for me and you;
The owners could have torn it down,
Or put us out to freeze or drown;
They've left it stand that you and me
Might, a little bit, protected be.

We appreciate the thing they've done
In leaving the building for anyone
Who's in need of shelter from the storm,
For here, at least, we can be warm.

But some have taken shelter here
Who do not hold this privilege dear.
The lumber from the walls they use
To build a fire when they choose.
To the future they give no thought;
The right of others to them means nought.
Too oft we think of our own plight
And fail to consider the other's right.
Let each think of this building here
As a FRIEND IN NEED whom we hold dear.

Let us protect it from axe and knife,
For some cold day it may save a life;
That life may be your life or mine;
There'll be days when the sun won't shine.
In every life there comes some storm
When we need a place where we may warm.
If we add a little now and then
For the comfort of our fellow men,
This building here may come to be
A pleasant haven for you and me.

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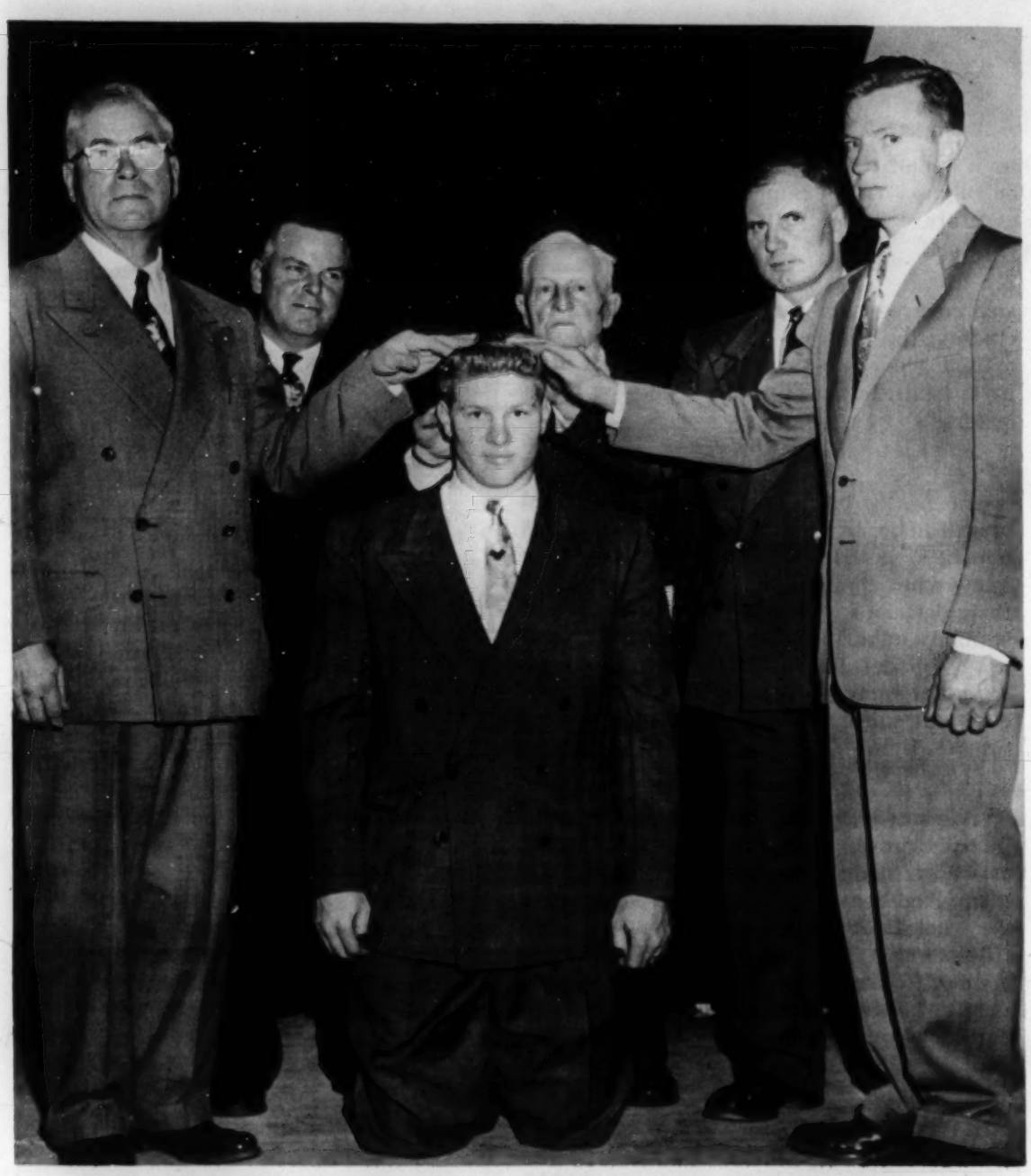

MONMOUTH CHURCH SCENE OF ORDINATION

Jack McElravy, former member of the Monmouth Church and a graduating senior at Northwest Christian College, was ordained to the Christian ministry at the Monmouth First Christian Church on January 11. He preached in student ministry for some time at Perrydale. Elders who participated in the ordination service are shown above with Jack (who is kneeling) and are left to right: Harold Elkins (father-in-law of the candidate), Eldon Riddell, Henry McKee (Perrydale Church), Grove Peterson and Alton Upmeyer. Archie Word gave the ordination sermon, T. M. White, the ordination prayer and minister, Lynnton Elwell gave the charge. Bob Sargent, from Eugene, was the soloist.

Convention Impressions

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Christ in Oregon might progress and prosper. May God's richest blessing rest upon each of you and yours.

As a member of the State Board, I would like to express a word of thanks to the congregations that have the work of Christ in Oregon so much at heart that they will allow their ministers time from the work in the home church so that they might attend such meetings as are necessary to plan and conduct the planning on a state-wide level for the furtherance of Christ's work in Oregon.

Sweet young thing (from the city)—"Oh, what a strange looking cow! But why hasn't she any horns?"

Farmer (explaining)—"Well, you see, some cows are born without horns and never had any, and the others shed theirs and some we dehorn, and some breeds ain't supposed to have horns at all. There are a lot of reasons why some cows ain't got horns, but the reason why that cow ain't got horns is because she ain't a cow—she's a horse."

L'il Gee Gee the office vamp quips that a gentleman is a man who holds the door open for his wife while she carries in a load of groceries.

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IN MEMORIAM

Two active church members passed away recently in two areas of the state. Ben Wilson Mulkey, 78, the last surviving charter member of the Vale Christian Church passed away at Vale in January. He was the son of Josephine Chenowith and Aaran Hayes Mulkey, pioneer Oregon minister. Following several years in public school work and two terms as Malheur County Clerk, Mr. Mulkey purchased an abstract business in Vale now known as the Malheur Title and Abstract Company, which he conducted successfully until his retirement in 1940. Emil J. Helseth, minister of the Ontario Christian Church, conducted the funeral service. Vale business firms were closed during the funeral service in honor of Mr. Mulkey.

Mrs. Leroy F. Newton, a member and active worker in the Kern Park Church, Portland, for many years passed away quietly in her sleep February 16. She was born Vesta Eastburn and lived in Albany until her marriage in 1912. Besides her husband, a son and daughter survive her. The funeral service was held in the Kern Park Church with Charles Addleman, her pastor for 17 years, bringing the message.

COMING EVENTS

March 22-April 26—Pentecost Plus Statewide Comprehensive Evangelism Campaign
April 10-12, Northwest Disciple Student Fellowship conference, Menucha
April 30-May 3, State Christian Endeavor Convention, Milton-Freewater
May 3—Northwest Christian College Day
May 5-7, East Ore. Convention, Pendleton
May 8-9, State Youth Planning Commission, Menucha
May 11, Statewide Victory Celebration, Milwaukie
May 20-29, Jack and Verla Sutton rallies across the state
July 4-9, International Convention, Portland

CHRISTIAN HOUSES

—By Everett L. Cecil

The Christian Houses are very happy to announce that Mrs. Idella Osborn of Lebanon has recently been appointed by the Oregon Christian Women's Fellowship as a representative to the Oregon Christian Student Foundation. The other members and representatives on this board are: Gene Robinson, La Grande, pres.; Claude Bryant, Corvallis, vice pres.; Lenn Farr, Coos Bay, sec.; Virgil Cameron, Eugene, treasurer; Dr. Victor P. Morris, Eugene; James Morris, Corvallis; Ezra Blehm, Harrisburg, Men's 90 & 9; Mrs. Idella Osborn, Christian Women's Fellowship; Leighton Dashiell, Friends of Christian House; Ruth Winchell, Portland; and Don Payne, Salem. Ex-officio members are: Dr. Carrol C. Roberts, Eugene; Don Helseth, Corvallis; Mrs. C. Elliott, Eugene; Everett Cecil, Corvallis; Pat Hartley, U of O; and Dick Lauer, OSC.

Christian House in Corvallis was recently privileged to hear Bob Griffeth (son of Dr. Ross J. Griffeth) tell of his two month tour of Western Europe on bicycle. Colorful and interesting slides were shown of the trip. The play "Release" by Dorothy Clark Wilson was given Sunday evening, February 8, at Monmouth by the Corvallis students. The one-act play is of the notorious robber, Bar-Abbas and how he found physical and spiritual release through the sacrifice of Christ. Tom Stockton, a student at N.C.C., has recently accepted the position of the Youth Director at Monmouth and will be working with the Christian Church students on OCE campus. On February 6 a group of the students from the Corvallis Christian House, under the leadership of Sylvia Meyers, held a party for 55 of the children at the W.C.T.U. Farm Home north of Corvallis. They were a lively bunch, but the students survived. After the party, the group met with several house mothers for refreshments, during which was gained an interesting insight into some of the problems connected with the Farm Home work. February 15 was "World Student Day of Prayer." The students representing the various religious groups on the OSC campus met at the Christian Church at 8 a.m. for a service of prayer. At the close a breakfast was served under the direction of Genevieve Nelson, a home economic major from Portland, Sam McKeel from Tillamook and Jim Mawhirter were ushers.

February 14, the Osborn Hotel in Eugene was the scene of the Christian House annual formal banquet. The theme was "cupids valentine fantasy." The engagement of George Good, the master of ceremonies from Salt Lake City, to Marianne Guay, of Tacoma, was the surprise highlight of the evening. "If I be Lifted Up" (John 12:32) will be the theme of the third regional student conference to be held at Menucha, April 10-12. The student group in Spokane has charge of publicity; Ellensberg and Yakima, worship; Eugene, program; and Corvallis, recreation. All students in the northwest are invited to attend this conference. Christian House in Eugene presented a talent show in the Condon School auditorium January 23. There were 40 students participating in the production. The theme of the program was "Hobo Holiday." Johnny King of Meridian, Idaho, was general chairman. Proceeds from the show will go to help send students to summer conferences.

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CORRECTION

Due to conflicting news sources and a misplaced period, the January issue of The Oregon Christian carried the following erroneous statement from The Dalles Church: "Church is at present in a money raising campaign to raise funds for some of the indebtedness Ray L. Aplet, former minister, and family incurred during Ray's recent illness and their move to the church in Ukiah, California." The statement should have read, "Church is at present in a money raising campaign to raise funds toward church indebtedness. Mr. and Mrs. Ray L. Aplet have taken the church at Ukiah, California." We hope that this error did not cause too much personal embarrassment to anyone.

Although your editor assumes full responsibility for the above error, he is amazed that there aren't more errors of this type in each issue. It is quite a chore to decipher some of the hand written news cards which come in. Many times we have had to all but guess at the meaning of the card. We are having such a grand response each month to the "Around the State with the Churches" columns that we hesitate to reprimand in any form, but legibility and conciseness are always appreciated. We hope that we will make as few errors as possible in the future.

YEAR BOOK AVAILABLE

We have received on consignment a few extra copies of the new Year Book. If you neglected to order one from the International Convention office you may order one from the state office at $2.00 per copy plus postage.

Two modern youngsters were discussing the subject of piggy banks.

"I think it's childish to save money that way," said Mary.

"I do too," replied Annie. "And I believe also that it encourages children to become misers."

"And that's not the worst of it," Mary exclaimed. "It turns parents into bank robbers."

NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN HOME

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The Disposition To Do Good, according to Webster, defines benevolence. Contributing churches and individuals have demonstrated that disposition with generous offerings this past Christmas. The hearts of aged Christians glow with joy because they were remembered. Large quantities of canned goods, eggs, potatoes, fresh vegetables and meat are needed daily for food.

The need for expansion is always calling to us—and the need of funds to expand. Our waiting list continues. The demand for this type of ministry to the aged is large. We trust that churches and individuals will continue to study this phase of Christian stewardship and rise up to help meet the growing need.

Visit "Your Other Home" and see what your "benevolent dollar" buys for these aged saints at Northwestern Christian Home, Beaverton, Oregon.

Around The State With The Churches

ROSEBURG: Bible School average so far in '53 is 497. Now in contest with Nampa, Idaho; leading them at this point by slight margin. Some of Bible School classes have been forced to move into new building before it is finished because of lack of space. Hope to occupy new educational building by Easter Sunday. Class for new Christians starting off with good attendance; another new class at C.E. hour on Sunday evenings is a study of the sects and denominations; people have shown real interest. Church here is listed among the 100 churches reporting most baptisms for 1952 in Year Book. Very successful meeting with Willie White. 24 added by baptism, 21 otherwise. R. V. Kleinfeldt, minister.

GLIDE: Held 2 week evangelistic meeting with Teddy Leavitt from February 15 to March 1. 3 added by baptism, 1 otherwise.

MYRTLE POINT: Work toward the Pentecost Plus program progressing satisfactorily. 2 added by baptism, 5 otherwise. Bob McDonald, minister. **ASTORIA:** One young man dedicated himself to full time service; 2 added by baptism and 3 otherwise. Young people celebrated C. E. week with fitting programs at church and on radio station KVAS. Choir sang 2 numbers for the Astoria music festival February 24. They are planning an elaborate Easter pageant under the directorship of Edward Opdycke. Albert Kribs, minister.

OAKLAND: Dr. Roy Dunn, former minister, gave six soul stirring messages on the "State of the Dead." Dr. Dunn is giving the same sermons at the Sutherlin church each Sunday night. **POWELL BUTTE:** Largest Bible School attendance in 10 year history. Morning service at capacity. Have a fine start on our "Pentecost Plus" program with lots of enthusiasm. Are continuing with the construction of our sanctuary. Had 6 of our young folk participating on Youth Sunday. The Lord is richly blessing us. 6 added by baptism, 2 otherwise. D. L. Penhollow, minister.

PORTLAND — SOUTHEAST: Have planned a budget of $9898.00 for 1953, of which $1555.00 is for Missions and Benevolence. Goal we have accepted for Pentecost Plus is 43. 7 added by statement. Gene Chamberlain, minister. **JEFFERSON:** Church social room has been redecorated in a soft green color. Christian Women's Fellowship sponsored a Friendship Night Dinner on Thursday, Feb. 5. Mr. and Mrs. Ardo Tarem, displaced persons from Estonia, were guest speakers. They were dressed in native costume and displayed samples of hand work made in Estonia. Plans being made for a pre-Easter campaign with Fred Haye as evangelist. Several members attended Convention on Wheels at Harrisburg. Church attendance very good. Mrs. Virgil Bailes, reporter.

BEND: Have put shakes on parsonage since last report. High School basketball team leading church league so far. School of missions with 7 classes on Sunday evenings enrolled 82 so far—expected to reach more than 100. Wm. Henry Hart, minister. **STAYTON:** New educational unit 50% completed. Gene Bream, evangelist from Los Angeles, holding meeting from March 1 to 22. Glen Vernon, minister. **PORTLAND - PARKROSE:** Church launched building finance plan Feb. 15 toward a goal of $35,000.00 and an addition will be built beginning in March. 7 added by statement. Dallas Meserve, minister.

BEAVERTON: First Church of Christ, Beaverton, has called Thomas Courtney from the Kirkland, Indiana church to be its next pastor. He is presently attending Butler University, will finish there the first part of June and will start his ministry in Beaverton June 14. Brother Courtney preached for the Beaverton church January 18 with the resulting addition of 2 by baptism and 1 by transfer. One of the student pastors from Beaverton will be preaching several of the sermons for the church until the time Mr. Courtney arrives. E. Walters, board chairman, reporter.

PORTLAND - FIRST: "Have you registered?" This is the question heard on every hand in the hall of the church these days. On February 15 we passed the 200 mark in pre-registrations for the coming great International Convention. Pentecost—Plus also in the blood-stream of First Churches. Regular additions from regular calling has been the slogan of the year. This will be accentuated in March when we enter into the Portland campaign. School of Christian Living, now in 11th year, is one of most successful in history. Wednesday nights averaging 350. Classes proving vital and interesting. **ONTARIO:** Annual meeting February 24. Pastor, E. J. Helseth, completed 7 years of ministry here Feb. 16. Ed Dewees led in Pentecost Plus visitation effort March 1-8. Goal for March 8, Decision Sunday, is 32. Mont Smith of Weiser, Idaho, was speaker the 4 nights following Decision Day. 5 added by baptism.

WALLOWA: Pentecost Plus under way. Paul Moore, Athena, assisted in the set-up and will be with us the final week. Good increase in attendance for both Bible school and church. Young people finishing available unfinished room for their use.

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One added by baptism, 3 otherwise. O. W. Jones, minister. **SILVERTON:** Increasing Bible School and church attendance. Making needed repairs to church building. Installing the accordian doors in the basement. 3 added by statement. Arthur Chas. Bates, minister.

PORTLAND - MULTNOMAH: Church has started a calling campaign to terminate March 29 with a goal of 43 new members. Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Rash, missionaries from India, were guest speakers at ladies missionary meeting February 6. Young people spent February 7 at Mt. Hood. Leland Earls, minister. **HOOD RIVER - VALLEY CHRISTIAN:** The additions of 4 by baptism and 7 otherwise represent four families united in the church. The work of excavating a church basement and preparing for a new heating system and extra needed rooms is well under way. About $1500.00 has already been donated or set aside for this project. A new organ has been installed and was paid for from special offerings for this purpose. H. Lawrence Porter, minister.

ST. HELENS: Charter member P. E. Stroud passed away, January 20. He and his family have been regular attendants and supporters of the church. Bible School average was 160 for January against 134 a year ago. Easter goal is 222. Had 10 folk at "Convention on Wheels" at No. Plains. Basketball team, coached by Bill Sawyer, high school teacher, has won 2 games and lost 1 in local church league sponsored by Ministerial Ass'n. Emphasis now being placed on pre-Easter evangelism. The Andrew Club is taking the home visitation responsibility prior to Portland Area Home Visitation Week, March 22-29. Charles H. Addleman is to be guest director that week. Every preparation is being made to win at least 42 by Easter. Had 32 present at Youth Rally, Mallory Avenue Church, Portland, February 14. 2 added by baptism, 2 otherwise. R. L. Putnam, minister.

MONMOUTH: Bible School contest with Canby now under way. Youth banquet held by church on February 12 with attendance of 41. Tom Stockton, N.C.C., is now youth worker. N.C.C. quartet presented program February 18 at family night dinner. Lynnton Elwell, minister. **ATHENA:** Have begun Pentecost Plus evangelistic program with 23 as goal on March 29. Sunday School average for January, 133. Anticipating possible building of educational unit due to lack of space for growing school. Town is not growing but church is. Church has the unique distinction of having 40% of the high school enrolled in the Bible School class and C. E. 4 added by baptism, 3 otherwise. C. Paul Moore, minister.

MARCOLA: Beginning in mid-week service a series of lessons on soul winning and personal work. Attendance is constantly climbing both in church school and worship services. Plans are rapidly being made for Easter services with tentative plans for an all-church play. Women's group is planned with avenues of service and opportunity constantly being opened. A monthly program of Christian films being shown on the final Sunday night of each month has been well received. **EUGENE - ALLISON PARK:** Having "Family World Fellowship" flights to Africa for five Sunday evenings. Attendance for first night was 61. 1 added by baptism, 2 otherwise.

NEWPORT: Will join in "Pentecost Plus" with goal set at 32. Ed Dewees will be our director. Set-up meeting was held February 12 with about 50 in attendance. March 15 has been set aside as Guest Sunday with our Brotherhood Film to be shown during the evening service, "Where the Bible Speaks." **ASHLAND:** Young people had youth banquet February 14 with 55 present. N.C.C. quartet sang for banquet and for morning service February 15, with Ed Eldridge bringing message Sunday morning. Jim Fraley was youth banquet speaker. Charles Addleman spoke Sunday night, February 15. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rash of Kulpahar, India, spoke February 13.

SWEET HOME: Average 308 in Bible School last four Sundays. Are in a contest with Milton Freewater. Contest to run until Easter. Standing to date (Feb. 15) Milton Freewater — 1444, Sweet Home — 1511.

ROCKAWAY: Attendance picking up. Young people very active. Plans for Easter under way. One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. John P. Frink, minister.

HILLSBORO: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. **LIBERTY:** A spiritual clinic for youth is underway for a 6 week period. Mrs. Sanford Kent is in charge and visiting leaders are teaching. They are as follows: Mrs. VanDyke, First Christian Church, Salem; Mr. Phil Hurd, Court St., Salem; Messrs. Sam Pleasant and Don Smith, from N.C.C. Excellent results. Mr. Jim Wolfer from First Christian Church at Salem donated his time and equipment to direct and help the members of the Liberty Church redecorate. Host for Convention on Wheels. 150 served at the banquet and over 200 at evening session. 2 added by baptism. John Myers, minister.

GRANTS PASS: Have no regular pastor but attendance is holding. Mr. Ren Hollister of Springfield supplied for us during January. During February Dr. Guy Wright of N.C.C. was with us. A call has been extended to Richard Goins of Marion, Iowa and we hope to have Dr. Wright until his arrival **NYSSA:** On February 8 Ira L. Hall began a week of Exchange Evangelism with Austin J. Hollingsworth, pastor of the Nyssa congregation. On March 15, the Nyssa pastor will begin a week of intensive Gospel preaching with the Mountain Home, Idaho Christian church where Ira K. Hall is the mission pastor under the Idaho Laymen's League support together with the help and direction of the South Idaho — Utah Christian Missionaries Society of the Christian Church. Lloyd M. Balfour, Secretary-Director, will give four days of visitation with the Mountain Home church the week preceeding the coming of the Oregon pastor. The Nyssa meeting grew in power from the first night.

BURNS: The Red Cadillac defeated the Blue Packard in the Bible School contest and were given a party by the Blues on February 9. World Day of Prayer was held in our church this year. Week of visitation under the leadership of Emil Helseth will be held April 12-17, with a goal of 26 for Decision Sunday, April 19. Beginning Sunday evening there will be a 6 day preaching mission conducted by Gene Robinson of La Grande. 2 added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Len B. Fishback, minister.

OAKRIDGE: Bible School has made plans for a 20% increase in attendance this year. Harry E. Chapin, pastor.

NORTH BEND: Church is progressing under new departmental plan of organization with many working for the Master who never did before. CWF; youth; and the men, have each had a part in presenting evening services. World Outreach Department presented a splendid Race Relations Program February 8. Attendance is on the increase—also stewardship. Plans under way to make Bible School and morning worship services continuous, without a definite break, which we believe invites people to leave before the worship service. A good prospect list is ready, prayer covenant cards are signed and callers are ready to begin visitation February 16. Goal set of at least 56 responses by April 12. 2 added by baptism. Clyde C. Blakley, minister.

MILWAUKIE: Leo Welch was presented with a pen and pencil set by the Hi class in appreciation of his service as basketball coach for the season. Also honored, was Dick Jongling, selected by the team as the one who displayed the best Christian sportsmanship. He was given a New Testament by Mr. Welch. Ceremonies took place as the young people conducted evening service February 15. 2 added by baptism, 7 otherwise. Mrs. Walters, reporter, Alger Fitch, minister.

NEWBERG: 6 baptisms and 3 by statement since January 1. Growing audiences. Tom and Leota Rash, missionaries to the United Provinces, India, were guests of the church on February 4, as were Harlan and Emeline Woodruff, founders of the Okinawa Christian Mission on February 8. Harlan is the Newberg Church's Living Link. They had with them their little adopted son and two students from Okinawa. Ed

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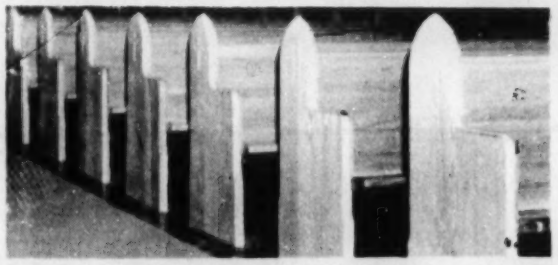

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Eldridge and the N.C.C. quartet were also guests on Feb. 8. Mr. and Mrs. Jas. M. Alley began evangelistic campaign on March 1. J. Frank Cunningham, minister.

ALBANY: Survey of East Albany by Macedonian Call Committee of N.C.C., revealed that out of 391 homes, 111 were interested in some degree in seeing a Christian Church established in the area. The matter is still being studied by the local church. We have just concluded a very successful Family World Friendship school of missions running for 6 weeks. Outside leaders heard were Mrs. Hattie Menzies, Hattie Mitchell, E. R. Moon and Ward Rice. Sessions were held at 5:30 each Sunday night beginning with a light lunch. Classes for age groups at 6:20 and a general meeting at 7:30. Attendance in the classes averaged about 75 per night. Don Helseth, pastor at Corvallis, was speaker at our Brotherhood dinner February 18. Lester Jones, minister, reports 1 added by statement.

PORTLAND — CENTRAL: Several new features have been added to the program here. Each Sunday evening there is a Quiz on the Bible, with 2 men and 2 women taking part. To date the women are leading in the "Battle of the Sexes." Women also sponsoring one evening service each month, as well as youth and men, which has added considerable interest. A new Men's Fellowship has been inaugurated with a dinner and social hour each month. The dinner is planned, cooked and served by men, and a challenging program to draw men into the service is presented. Central is engaged in a visitation program leading up to a week of evangelistic meetings prior to Easter

DALLAS: Have been enjoying record crowds of over 100 during our "Friendship Tour" of African missions. Already making plans for another school of missions next year. Pastor, Orville Mick, spent one week in January traveling with the "Convention on Wheels." Dudley Strain, First Christian Church, Salem, was guest speaker at February fellowship dinner.

CANBY: Bible School — with Doug Priest, superintendent—is in contest with Monmouth. Began evangelistic meeting with Willie W. White, evangelist on February 22. Church is in middle of remodeling church kitchen. Clackamas County Fifth Sunday Rally to meet here on March 29—Dallas Meserve to be speaker. John J. Stone, minister. **GLADSTONE:** Mrs. George Martin, veteran Beginner Teacher, honored for her long years of service at a family night dinner in January. She was presented with a watch and other tokens of appreciation. Calling campaign under way in Pentecost-Plus program.

CORVALLIS: Goal of 71 additions has been set for Decision Day, April 19. Mrs. Murl Fritschle has been added to the staff as office secretary. Minister and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Helseth, attended the Pastoral Conference at the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley in February. 3 added by baptism. **MILL CITY:** Church women furnished the materials and helped the men paint the basement floor in preparation for the Convention on Wheels. New Bible School class for young married people has been started with Superintendent Glen Shelton as teacher. H. E. Jull, minister.

THURSTON: 175 men and boys present at father and son "Elk Feed." Bob Steel, state police, gave talk on "Preserving Oregon Wild Life." Veltie Pruitt showed pictures of Oregon Wild Country. Roof now on new educational plant addition. Printing first addition of church paper in March. 5 added by baptism, 8 otherwise. Charles H. Richards, minister. **FALLS CITY:** Pastor, Kenneth Hooton, left March 1 for new pastorate. New building now in full use with finishing touches being put on just 1 year, 2 months and 10 days from the beginning of construction.

COBURG: Average Bible School attendance for 1952 was 137. Additions for 1952 were 38 and receipts for the year were $8,456.32. One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Frank L. Betzer, pastor. **REDMOND:** Plans for evangelism campaign progressing under leadership of Mr. Newell Morgan. Bible School attendance up. New Bible School Superintendent is Richard Kribbs; assistant sup't. is Hamp Jordan. Election of church officers and dinner meeting held in January. Met with Powell Butte church for World Day of Praver on February 20.

PORTLAND - MALLORY AVE: Have set a goal of 175 registrations for International Convention. Had registered 70 by February 15. Dudley Strain will be guest leader for Pentecost Plus, March 22-26. Minister, Hubert E. Sias, will preach at Springfield in teaching mission, April 12-19. One added by baptism, 11 otherwise.

WI-NE-MA: 21 responses to the invitation in the last 2 Sundays; 3 yet to be baptized. These came as part of the regular work of the church without a meeting or special calling campaign. All work at Wi-Ne-Ma is growing. Rolland Yodin, returned missionary from China, is assisting in the work of the church and camp construction program.

GATES: Maurice H. Jones has been serving as student pastor at Gates since January 1. Youth choir has recently been organized and sings at the church services. Bible School attendance has been averaging about 40 per Sunday. 3 added by statement. **OREGON CITY:** Oregon City, assisted by two or three of Clackamas county churches, making plans to establish new church at Lake Grove, which is a part of Oswego.

WILLAMINA: Leo and Gail Woodruff will close 4½ years' ministry with the church in Willamina on March 1 to begin the following Sunday with the Fairmount Church of Christ in Eugene. Teachers and workers of Bible School held fourth annual retreat at Wi-Ne-Ma Feb. 20-21. Lynnton Elwell was guest speaker. Our very active High School group (average attendance for Bible School is 22) sponsored an Italian dinner in January. Linda Beck was elected Secretary Treasurer of the Yamhill County C. E. Union. Harlan Woodruff, recently returned from Okinawa, was guest speaker on February 4. An offering of $163.85 for the Okinawa Christian Mission was received. One added by baptism.

JUNCTION CITY: School of Christian Living held with Franklin, Alvadore, Coburg, Harrisburg and Halsey. Teachers from N.C.C. assisted. Father and Son banquet held by Ninety and Nine men. Ladies now calling in Pentecost Plus program. Elmer Newton, Ninety and Nine president, will lead in week of calling and is assisting in set-up meetings. **AMITY:** Pentecost Plus plans going ahead with Ezra Blehm leader and Decision Day set for April 12 with a goal of 18. Young adult class helped pastor, Robert Powell, with county radio program on January 24.

GOLD HILL: Church has rented a new location for services with option to buy same and will soon be in process of paying out their own church home. Pentecost Plus goal is 24 and effort will climax on March 29. J. W. Runyan, pastor. **GOSHEN:** Adopted Pentecost Plus goal of 50 additions which will more than double church membership. Professor Lawrence Bixler, N.C.C., is bringing an evangelistic meeting April 22 through May 3.

MILTON-FREEWATER: Congregation is participating in Pentecost Plus campaign with a goal of 65 or more for Decision Sunday, March 22. Jess Johnson of St. Johns Christian Church, Portland, conducted the set-up meeting on Wednesday, February 4. Plans under way for state C.E. Convention to be held here April 30-May 3.

SALEM-FIRST CHRISTIAN: Youth taught adult classes, conducted evening service, had youth banquet and participated in Interdenominational observance during Youth Week. Hattie Mitchell, Living Link Missionary to the Congo, week-long visitor, appearing and speaking before every group within the church. Holding a 6 week School of Missions. Church actively working toward the establishment of a new church in Salem.

McKENZIE BRIDGE: Pastor Frank L. Cook returned recently from a trip to Winfield, Kansas, where he accompanied the body of his beloved wife, Mrs. Anna Lawson Tonkinson Cook, who was laid to rest in her family burying ground, January 15. Reverend O. Edgar Wright officiated and a host of relatives and life-time friends were in attendance. Her Christian life continues to be an inspiration to all her knew her best.

WINSTON: Sunday School is on gradual rise in all departments as is church attendance. Building additional Sunday School room and activity room for young people. Church has called Mr. Marlin Love as minister. One added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Olof Carpenter, reporter. **LEBANON:** Ivan Correll closed ministry March 15 and Arlo B. Bristow began Ad Interim ministry on March 22.

KERN PARK: George Whipple closed his ministry here after 4 years of fruitful service, January 18. During this time the long planned new building was completed and occupied by the church and there were 338 additions. Mr. Whipple is now attending Butler University. Mrs. Whipple was ordained by the church here on their closing Sunday. Ray Smith is serving as Ad Interim minister until a successor is found.

COQUILLE: Walter and Rosemary Naff began ministry here February 1. Church is participating in Pentecost Plus and visitation evangelism program.

ROGER CARSTENSEN, of Enid, Okla., will be in Oregon during period of June—August and will be available for preaching engagements. He may be reached at Phillips University in Enid. Roger was formerly on the faculty at N.C.C. and will be remembered as the Bible Study leader at last year's Turner Convention.

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